

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method for managing at least one patient record, each patient record including patient information, the method comprising:
 - 5 receiving, into a patient processor, patient information for a patient record;
 - storing the received patient information in a queue;
 - determining, from an administrator processor, whether to accept or reject the patient information in the queue; and
 - 10 storing the patient information in an electronic database if the patient information is accepted.
- 15 2. A method according to Claim 1 further comprising:
 - deleting the patient information from the queue, wherein the patient information is deleted from the queue after determining whether to accept or reject the patient information if the patient information is rejected, and after storing the patient information if the patient information is accepted.
- 20 3. A method according to Claim 1 further comprising:
 - verifying the patient information before determining whether to accept or reject the patient information, wherein determining whether to accept or reject the patient information is based upon the verification.
4. A method according to Claim 1, wherein the electronic database is capable of storing at least one patient record including patient information having at least one appointment, and wherein the method further comprises:
 - 25 accessing at least one appointment from patient information in a patient record stored in the electronic database; and
 - electronically confirming the at least one appointment.
- 30 5. A method according to Claim 1, wherein storing the received patient information in a queue comprises storing the received patient information in a queue located remote from the patient processor across a network, wherein determining whether

to accept or reject the patient information comprises determining, from an administrator processor located remote from the patient processor across the network, whether to accept or reject the patient information, and wherein storing the patient information comprises storing the patient information in an electronic database located remote from the patient processor across the network.

5 6. A method according to Claim 1 further comprising:
 accessing, from the patient processor, a patient record from the electronic database, wherein receiving patient information comprises receiving at least one
10 modification to at least a portion of the patient information in the accessed patient record.

15 7. A method according to Claim 1 further comprising:
 accessing at least one of appointment information, account information, prescription information and insurance claim information associated with a patient record.

8. A system for managing at least one patient record, each patient record including patient information, the system comprising:
 a patient processor capable of receiving patient information for a patient record,
20 wherein the patient processor is capable of storing the received patient information in a queue;
 an administrator processor coupled to the patient processor across a network, wherein the administrator processor is capable of receiving a determination whether to accept or reject the patient information in the queue; and
25 an electronic database coupled to the administrator processor, wherein the electronic database is capable of storing the patient information if the patient information is accepted.

30 9. A system according to Claim 8, wherein the administrator processor is also capable of deleting the patient information from the queue after receiving the

determination if the patient information is rejected, and after storing the patient information if the patient information is accepted.

10. A system according to Claim 8, wherein the administrator processor is
5 capable of driving a display to present the received patient information such that the received patient information can be verified before the administrator processor receives the determination.

11. A system according to Claim 8, wherein the electronic database is capable
10 of storing at least one patient record including patient information having at least one appointment, wherein the patient processor is capable of accessing at least one appointment from patient information in a patient record stored in the electronic database, and wherein the patient processor is capable of receiving a confirmation for at least one accessed appointment such that the confirmation can be stored in the electronic database
15 independent of the queue.

12. A system according to Claim 8 further comprising the queue, wherein the queue is located remote from the patient processor across the network, and wherein the electronic database is located remote from the patient processor across the network.

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13. A system according to Claim 8, wherein the electronic database is capable of storing at least one patient record, wherein the patient processor is capable of accessing a patient record from the electronic database, and thereafter receiving patient information including at least one modification to at least a portion of the patient
25 information in the accessed patient record.

14. A system according to Claim 8, wherein the electronic database is capable of storing at least one of appointment information, account information, prescription information and insurance claim information associated with at least one patient record,
30 and wherein the patient processor is capable of accessing the at least one of appointment

information, account information, prescription information and insurance claim information.

15. A computer program product for managing at least one patient record,
5 each patient record including patient information, the computer program product comprising a computer-readable storage medium having computer-readable program code portions stored therein, the computer-readable program portions comprising:

a first executable portion for receiving, into a patient processor, patient information for a patient record;

10 a second executable portion for storing the received patient information in a queue;

a third executable portion for receiving a determination, from an administrator processor, whether to accept or reject the patient information in the queue; and

15 a fourth executable portion for storing the patient information in an electronic database if the patient information is accepted.

16. A computer program product according to Claim 15 further comprising:

a fifth executable portion for deleting the patient information from the queue after determining whether to accept or reject the patient information if the patient information is rejected, and after storing the patient information if the patient information is accepted.

17. A computer program product according to Claim 15 further comprising:

a fifth executable portion driving a display to present the received patient information such that the received patient information can be verified before the third executable portion receives the determination.

18. A computer program product according to Claim 15, wherein the electronic database is capable of storing at least one patient record including patient information having at least one appointment, and wherein the computer program product further comprises:

a fifth executable portion for accessing at least one appointment from the patient information in a patient record stored in the electronic database; and

a sixth executable portion for receiving a confirmation of the at least one appointment.

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19. A computer program product according to Claim 15 further comprising:
a fifth executable portion for accessing, from the patient processor, a patient record from the electronic database, wherein the first executable portion receives patient information comprising at least one modification to at least a portion of the patient information in the accessed patient record.

20. A computer program product according to Claim 15 further comprising:
a fifth executable portion for accessing at least one of appointment information, account information, prescription information and insurance claim information associated with a patient record.

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